

Would you run for a Rose? SMSgt. Jones say's yes.



(NHANG Photo by Linda Jones)

Pictured to the left is Senior Master Sgt. Bill Jones, Finance Superintendent, who decided last fall to run the Boston Marathon as a charity runner on the Multiple Sclerosis Marathon Strides Against MS team, supported by the N.E. Chapter of MS. He "ran" for Master Sgt. (Retired) Rose Cahill, seen in the wheelchair. Rose worked in the unit as the Finance accounting supervisor before her medical retirement from the NHANG. Her dream to one day run the Boston Marathon was taken from her when she was diagnosed with MS in 1991, but she and her family were at the finish line of the Boston Marathon April 18 cheering as her former supervisor sprinted across the finish line. Senior Master Sgt. Jones raised over \$2500 of his personal goal of \$3000. As a whole, his 50-member team raised more than \$325,000 in the fight to find a cure for MS and help people like Rose who spend every waking moment dealing with the daily struggle against MS.

Commander's Column



By Col. Richard Martell

Soon after the May UTA, the Department of Defense (DoD) will announce its plan for the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC). The list of proposed closures and other actions will then be handed to the BRAC Commission, which will work with it throughout the summer. The final list will then be presented to Congress and the President in the fall. At that point the list must be accepted, or rejected, in its entirety. Depending on which news report you believe, it could mean a 20 – 25% reduction in DoD bases nationwide.

For those of us who are “old timers”, this is a familiar process. The NHANG’s current stand-alone status in the N.H. Seacoast is the result of BRAC in the early 90’s. That action closed Pease AFB, with the NHANG continuing operations on Pease Air National Guard Base. The State then established the Pease Development Authority for civilian redevelopment on the remainder of the property, now called Pease International Tradeport. This model continues to be one of the success stories in BRAC actions.

Our involvement in the current BRAC process began over a year ago as we responded to several “data calls”. Most of this data gathering dealt with information about who we are, our mission, facilities, capabilities, and sur-

rounding resources. Large amounts of data went into the Air Force’s plan for Future Total Force, which in turn was blended into the plan for all of DoD.

I don’t know what BRAC holds for the 157th this time around, but I’ve heard that upwards of 80% of Air National Guard units will be impacted – both positively and negatively.

Positive actions might be more aircraft and manpower to units as a result of another base’s closing. Negative actions might be the closure of a base and loss of a mission. In some cases, units might find that they are transformed and assigned a new mission.

Some states, anticipating change, have been proactive. You may have heard the recent announcement of states taking on the Predator mission or Vermont’s initiative on community basing, where active duty maintenance troops are assigned to Vermont. These are examples of states creating a Future Total Force.

Here at Pease, our NH Air National Guard Commander, Col. Mark Sears, is leading a chartered group to look at short term and long term plans for the NHANG. We’re fortunate that our current mission and location (at least to our way of thinking) are important to current National Defense objectives. In the future though, there will be less aircraft in the AF inventory, coupled with more fuel efficient airframes. This drives the need to examine and explore all other options, from our current mission to involvement in Space Operations.

I’m eagerly anticipating the BRAC Commission’s recommendations, as DoD mission changes will provide new challenges and opportunities for the 157th. It’s an exciting time.

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Regulation Update

By Senior Master Sgt. Brenda Blonigen



The Lance Armstrong bracelet cannot be worn in uniform. The YEL-LOW bracelet supporting a Cancer Foundation is a noble cause, however the bracelet does not meet the conservative criteria outlined in AFI 36-2903, Dress and Personal Appearance of Air Force Personnel. If these bracelets began appearing at your locations, please let your Airmen know that they are not authorized to be worn while in uniform. We appreciate your support.

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The Refueler welcomes articles and ideas that will improve the paper. If you have suggestions for feature or specific articles, please contact the PA office at x3413/3577, or your Unit Public Affairs Representative (UPAR).

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Col. Monahan at last



NHANG Photo by Staff Sgt. Dawn Finniss

Denise Monahan and Col. Bill Reddel pin the rank of colonel on Robert T. Monahan.. Col. Monahan was promoted on April 10, 2005 in a brief ceremony held in the BAPP.

So many friends, co-workers, retirees and family members turned out to see the event that people were sitting in the aisles and standing in the back.

Recent Promotions

Senior Airman

Robert W. Gibson
Joshua C. Nichols
Bryan L. Emerson

**Senior Master Sergeant**

Anthony M. Lebel
Daniel S. Yoder

**Staff Sergeant**

Robert L. Stjohn

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Mark A. Mckenzie

**Master Sergeant**

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NH National Guard Fire Chief Needed

ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: NH05-024(A) or NH05-523 (A)

SALARY RANGE: GS-12 starts at \$64,246 per year/ Full pay and allowances based on rank and longevity.

AREA OF CONSIDERATION: AREA I: all excepted permanent enlisted technicians of the NHNG or all current NHNG enlisted AGR members. AREA II: all enlisted members of the New Hampshire National Guard or those eligible for membership into the NH National Guard

CLOSING DATE: AREA I: 18 May 2005 AREA II: 25 May 2005

DUTY LOCATION: NH Air National Guard 157th Civil Engineering Squadron. Pease ANGB, Newington, NH

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: Permanent Enlisted Technician / AGR

CONTACTS: MSgt John Symington at DSN 684-9348, Comm. (603) 225-1348 or MSgt Delores Lamson, DSN: 684-9331 or commercial (603) 225-1331



Family Program Updates

By Bonnie Rice, Family Program Coordinator

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Call or email Bonnie Rice for info on any Family Program Events or Articles Below

2005 WING FAMILY DAY: The 2005 Wing Family Day is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 11, 2005 from 10 a.m.– 2 p.m. Volunteers, ideas, donations or suggestions to make this day a success are always welcome, feel to call Bonnie Rice.

MILITARY SPOUSE DAY – May 6, 2005: The Friday before Mother's day each year has been set aside to honor our Military Spouses. This special day is to thank our military spouses for the support they give to their military member, their family and other military families. They honor their contributions to the communities where they live and to acknowledge the sacrifices they make every day in support of their military member and our country. Both mothers and fathers face the daily challenges of military life that often include deployments, family separations, and frequent moves. These spouses are the ones left behind during deployment, "holding down the fort" allowing our military members to successfully complete their missions and not worry about their family at home.

We are in a new era where the resiliency of the military spouse is needed more than ever, as concerns about the war on terrorism pose new challenges for the

homeland military spouse and increased risk for those overseas. Please put aside some time in May to remember the accomplishments of your local military spouses and thank them for accepting the challenges of being a military spouse.

SPRING CHILDREN'S PARTY

The Portsmouth VFW Post #168 and the Ladies and Men's Auxiliary have once again hosted an awesome party for our children. The latest party was held at their VFW March 26, 2005. The families that attended were served a delicious meal of chicken tenders, grilled cheese and french fries. All the children received a filled Easter Basket and toys. We are so fortunate to have such a wonderful organization that is willing to do so much to show our military families how much they are appreciated. The VFW members put great effort and time into these parties. We truly appreciate their support.

Families were also treated to a Clown Show given by David "Topper" Anderson and were given the opportunity to have some wonderful "artwork" created on their face by Mary "Delight" Sheehan. Topper and Delight have volunteered their time for several parties over the passed year for our military children. Another guest performer was "Oliver Twist" who put on a wonderful ventriloquism show for the children. Oliver has also participated in several of our events for our children. We had three new guest clowns as well at this party: Sue Prior made some clever balloon creatures for the children; Barbara Novak, worked with the children making beaded necklaces and more. Many



thanks to these great clowns as well as our Easter Bunny (Joan Gillis) for donating their time and service to make the party great fun for the kids. Other volunteers for this party were Brandie & Jay Rice, and Mackenzie & Ashley Anderson.

Free Dinner/Dancing for Military Members and Guest "Armed Forces Day"

May 21, 2005: The VFW Post #168, Portsmouth and the Ladies and Men's Auxiliary are hosting "The Armed Forces Ball" a dinner/dancing social for all military members (and a guest) that have been mobilized/ deployed in support of the Global War on Terrorism. The event has been called "Armed Forces Ball" however, the dress for this event is as follows: Members are encouraged to wear their service dress uniform, however if they prefer not to wear their service dress; men may wear a collared shirt/sport coat and dress pants, dresses or slacks for ladies. The VFW would prefer that this be a special evening - **no Shorts or Jeans**. It sounds like a great night out for couples and singles!

The VFW has put a lot of work into planning this event. the main course will be beef tenderloin. Thank you for getting the word out to all military members. Enjoy!!

Location: VFW Post #168, 238 Deer Street, Portsmouth, NH. Social Hour Begins at 6 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Dancing till 11 p.m.

Featuring the sounds of: NH

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Family cont. from pg 4

Army National Guard /39th Army Dance Band "Granite Rock"
RSVP: NLT: May 11, 05 to
Bonnie Rice – Space will be limited – first come first served.

YOUTH EVENTS**"Guard Kids Healthy Choices"**

Watch for emails regarding an upcoming babysitting course being offered by the "Guard Kids Healthy Choices." Details will also be coming regarding a free "Guard Kids Healthy Choices" Day Camp scheduled for June 27-30, 2005 for ages 8 & up. There will be one bus leaving Pease and two buses leaving Concord to take children to the day camp. Contact Staff Sgt. Janet Dow at 227-1523 in Concord for details on all the events of "Guard Kids Healthy Choices." For updates on Youth Event be sure to have your family added to Family Program email listing.

Teen Event

UNH Cooperative Extension has invited all teens from across NH to join them for an upcoming "Teen Conference" to be held at the University of New Hampshire from June 26-29, 2005. UNH has given a special invitation to our NH military youth to attend. The conference is open to all teens completing the 8th grade or age 14 by June 27, 2005. On the first full day of the conference, teens will be given an opportunity to visit Pease Air National Guard Base to learn about the Air National guard. For additional Information please go to www.ceinfo.unh.edu, follow the link to 4-H Youth for a Teen Conference flyer.

Operation Camp Purple – New Hampshire**Free Summer Camp for kids with deployed parents!**

Operation Purple camps are a

free week of summer fun for kids with deployed parents. This year over 30 weeks of camps will be held at locations all over the world! Campers from all service branches will gather together to experience a memorable week of traditional camp fun with a focus on learning coping skills to better deal with a parent's deployment. Registration for Operation Purple summer camp begins April 15th and closes May 15th. The 2005 Operation Purple summer camps are made possible thanks to generous funding from Sears, as part of the Sears American Dream campaign

New Hampshire will host its Operation Purple NH Camp session Aug. 14 to Aug. 19, 2005 at a UNH 4-H Camp. The UNH 4-H Camp strives to provide a safe healthy environment within a rustic living setting providing the opportunity where children of deployed service members can practice getting along with others, learn to accept differences and work with other campers and staff developing friendships that last a life time. Campers live in cabins and travel to the different programs including, drama, arts & crafts, archery, swimming, canoeing, sports, nature, and team challenge. A typical day starts with an all camp gathering at the flagpole, includes 4 time blocks where campers rotate through some of the above activities, and the campers have one block where they select their afternoon activity. Meals are a place of fun and fellowship including a song, table games and of course good nutritious food. For further info the website is: http://www.nmfa.org/site/PageServer?pagename=op_new_hampshire.

Veterinarian Services

The veterinarian from Brunswick will be at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard on May 19 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in

the gym. Contact the vet in Brunswick for an appointment - (207)725-8450 or DSN 476-1386. The vet is open to all active duty, their families and retirees.

MILITARY DISCOUNT INFO**Anheuser-Busch Offers Free Admission to Its Adventure Parks**

Anheuser-Busch Offers Free Admission to Its Adventure Parks Anheuser-Busch Cos. Inc announced its "Heroes Salute" to honor the U.S. Armed Services by offering free single-day admission to its Sea World and Busch Gardens parks to active duty military, activated guard and reserves and as many as three direct dependents beginning Feb. 7 through Dec. 31, 2005. Register, either online at <http://www.herosalute.com> or in the entrance plaza of participating parks, and show a Department of Defense photo ID. Dependents may take advantage of the offer without their service member, though an adult must accompany minor dependents. For more information, visit <http://www.anheuser-busch.com>

PORTSMOUTH NAVAL SHIPYARD MWR/ITT OFFICE NEWS

The Portsmouth Naval Shipyard will be having "Six Flags", "Water Country", "Fun Town Splash Town", and "Canobie Lake Park" tickets for your summer vacation time. Info regarding tickets, details, and prices available at the Shipyard call 207-438-1514 or 2713.



157th member recognized; receives Special Achievement Award



(NHANG Photo)

Please give congratulations to Senior Master Sgt. Mike Gagne, 260th ATC Squadron for his Special Achievement Award. The annual Air Traffic Control awards program is designed to recognize our brightest and most talented people in the ANG Air Traffic Services Community.

NHANG TRADITIONAL GUARD PERSON OF THE QUARTER

Please congratulate Master Sgt. Michael Dunlap of the 133rd Air Refueling Squadron for the 2nd Quarter Award Winner of the NHANG Traditional Guard Person of the Quarter.

Honorable Mention goes to: Master Sgt. Bruce

Larrabee (CES), Senior Airman

Steve Guillet (AMXS), Senior Airman Lance Craft (AMXS), Tech. Sgt. Greg Provencal (CES), Staff Sgt. Dan Demers (LRS) and Staff Sgt. Allen Manley (LRS). Thank you to the individuals who took the time to submit the above individuals. Master Sgt. Dunlap has his own special parking spot and receives \$50.00 from the Commander's. Next nominations will be in the month of June!!!



(NHANG Photo by Staff Sgt. Dawn Finniss)

short and to the point. Within a hour and a half we had in processed, off loaded our gear, received our lodging, and had chow. We were ready for work. With our toolboxes loaded in a truck we proceeded to our maintenance facility. There we met the rest of our Vehicle Maintenance Team; fifty of us total. Volunteers and "volun-tolds" from all over the world to do one mission. Install armor on all vehicles assigned for convoy duty.

The vehicles vary. Some days your installing armor kits on 5-tons and others Hemmit fuel trucks but the schedule is the same, 12 hours a day/6 days a week. Between the civilian contractors on dayshift and our team on nights, our goal is 60 vehicles a week. The armor kits are a big jigsaw puzzle, except the pieces weigh 300-500 lbs each. With this puzzle you have to grind and cut most of the plates to fit perfectly.

I can honestly say I've never worked so hard, gotten so filthy, and lifted so much steel in my life. This is hard money! When I leave the shop in the morning I'm completely exhausted but wouldn't want to be anywhere else right now. Just when you lose focus and ask yourself, "What the heck am I working this hard for?" A young Army Private First Class comes to the shop with his truck and asks, "Is there anything you can do for my window?" He swallows and tells you a story of how his convoy came under attack and truck was hit with a RPG. Two and a half inches of bullet-proof glass with a round impression took a direct hit saving all those on board. After replacing the door, he shakes our hand and prepares for another convoy mission.

The true heroes here are the "Combat Truckers" who venture out past the concrete walls and razor wire of Balad AB/Camp Anaconda everyday. They carry the fuel and supplies to keep this mission running. Every night they see the horrors of combat. My First Sergeant told me today he had just returned from 9 day convoy mission. Within the first ten miles off base the convoy was hit with automatic, small arms fire. Everyday a new element of combat was revealed; mortars, suicide bombers, RPGs. On this convoy only one truck was disabled by an IED. He said it was a good thing it was armored and no one got hurt.

I am so very proud of the mission my team is doing over here and the role the 157th Vehicle Maintenance Shop and active duty has trained me to perform. Through me, you are saving 60 plus lives every week with the training and guidance you have shared with me.

News from Balad

TSgt Ron Connary

157th Logistics Readiness Squadron



After a long journey of arguing with ticket agents and customs officials, I finally reached my destination; Balad AB, Iraq. We were quickly directed off our C-17 to a tent for our inprocessing briefing. Just as we sat down, the base

went into an Alarm Red Condition. On went our body armor and helmets as the mortars welcomed us to Balad. When the All Clear signal was given the PERSCO Team asked, "Are there any mechanics TDY here to armor trucks?" About 25 of us raised our hands and were separated from the rest of the 75+ people. Our briefings were

NHANG Members Take to the Ice!



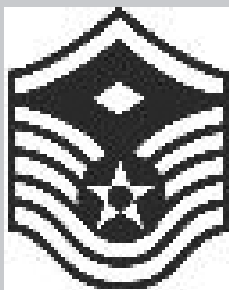
Front: Rich Booker, Rich Dole, Tony Ford, Matt Heiman, Tony Manix, Mike Mercier
Back: Craig Cote, Jason Cote, John Bouffard, Dave Bartlett, Jeff Miles, Dave Charland, Todd Buttrick, Kim Urice, Nick Scola, Ryan Grenier, Jim Doyle, Scott Hoyt, Jeff Cole, Barry Maddix



By Master Sgt. Matthew S. Heiman

"The National Hockey league may not be playing this year but our own NHL (New Hampshire Hockey League) is alive and well. This past Saturday night 22 members from the NHANG, some family and friends, met to play hockey at The Rinks at Exeter. Every year or so this group will gather together to skate and have a good time. Some have to dust off their equipment to make the annual trek, while others play regularly in the local area. Members from all over the wing came to play including: Maintenance Group, Operations, Civil Engineering, Head Quarters, Support Group, as well as family members."

FIRST SERGEANT POSITION VACANCY 157 AMXS



The 157th Medical Group will be interviewing candidates for their First Sergeant position in August. Personnel who are interested and meet the minimum qualifications must send a resume to 157 ARW/CCM, Attention Chief Eaton, no later than June 5, 2005. The resume should include a short biography that includes military experience, civilian experience, PME, other education and a statement about why the candidate wants to be a First Sergeant. Information about the duties of the First Sergeant is in AFMAN 36-2108 and AFI 36-2113. Minimum qualifications include:

- *Must** be a Master Sgt. or Tech. Sgt. who meets all requirements and is immediately eligible for promotion to Master Sgt.
- *Must** have a fitness score of 75 or better and possess the ability to run the 1.5-mile run.
- *Must** attend the First Sergeant Academy, which is 2 weeks, as soon as possible, but no later than one year after assignment.
- *Must** have three years retainability.
- *Must** agree to serve tenure of no less than three years after the completion of the First Sergeant Academy.
- *Must** meet either an Administrative score of 45 or higher, or a general score of 58 or higher in the ASVAB.

The selection board for this position will take place in August 2005. Candidates will be notified about the time and place as soon as possible. Any changes to this process will be communicated to all concerned. For questions call Chief Eaton at x2722.

2005 Prayer Breakfast

(NHANG Photos by Staff Sgt. Dawn Finniss)

By The Chapel Staff

Many times in the midst of a conversation discussing one event or another you hear the phrase, "I guess you just had to be there".

Truthfully, there is no way to capture the energy and spirit of the gathering, but maybe, like a wine taster, you can get a taste of the event by this sampling.

Col. Richard Martell, the 157th Wing Commander, began our celebration by focusing our attention on two themes, "Remembrance and Thanks". For all that were gathered he recalled that every military member takes an oath "to defend the Constitution of the United States". Col. Martell went on to say that it was "incumbent on us to remember and pray" for Sgt. Jeremiah Holmes NHARNG, Tech. Sgt. David Guindon NHANG, and Spc. Alan Burgess NHARNG, all of which paid the ultimate price and sacrificed all for the love of their country.

On his second theme he gave thanks for the Wings "can-do attitude, and willingness to undertake, selflessly, any and all missions with professionalism and *Espirit de Corps*". He expressed his pride in the Wing as he recounted how, time and time again, the 157th said, "YES", in response to the needs of the nation from Sept. 11, 2001 up to and including our last venture to Volk Field.

The guest speaker for the Prayer Breakfast was Chaplain Brig. Gen. Cecil R. Richardson.





Ch Richardson began his remarks by thanking everyone "for who you are and what you stand for" and he further thanked everyone "for what you do for our nation." His message for one and all was "Hope" a forgotten virtue. He recalled for his listeners that we are a people that believes in God and that God is the underpinning and foundation of our nation and Constitution. Ch Richardson pointed out that one's presence at the Prayer Breakfast states, "I believe in God, I believe in prayer and I believe in someone greater than me". He wanted us to know that God had a special message sent to each of us individually. The message is found in Jeremiah 29.11 and it says, "I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you". His message is for one and all to have hope, for God is giving you a future. A person "can live without food for forty days, three days without water, eight minutes without oxygen, but you cannot live a second without hope". Hope is the belief that there is something good, an expectation of something beyond my wildest dreams waiting for me.

Our world needs hope and is looking for it because, daily we are overwhelmed with bad news, fear and despair. It may seem that there is no hope, no reason to go on, and no reason to live. Ch Richardson clearly pointed out that there is reason to hope! There is reason to go on! Why? "Because God is still on the throne! God still and will forever love you! God still hears our prayers! Hope says, because of faith there is a reason to go on! You may feel at times that God does not hear you; you may feel alone and unnoticed. "But, God does know you! God knows your name, He knows what you are about, and He knows your problems! God loves you and knows!"



Life in the LRS



*By Tech.
Sgt. Bev
Wallace*

"Life in the LRS" is a brief look into the Logistics Readiness Squadron.

Each month we hope to feature an LRS person to let you know who we are, where we came from and what we do for you, our customer.

Our article this month features Senior Airman Phouthong M. Chanthaboury, better known by her middle name Mary.

She is a native of Laos and came to the United States with her family in 1982. She resides in Springvale, Maine and her full-time employer is Sweetser in Saco, Maine where she works in Human Resources.

Mary is a traditional member of the LRS and is currently working in the Clothing Issue section.

She has served in the NHANG for about 4 years. Mary joined the NHANG because she wanted to do her part and make a difference in her community. Her current duties include issuing uniforms, supplies and equipment to members of the NHANG.

When asked what question she hears the most, she stated with a smile, "Can I get some stripes?" Mary enjoys meeting all the new enlistees and talking to all the customers when they come in for uniforms.

Her most memorable moment since she joined to military was getting sworn in when she enlisted.

Her office is located in room 112 of building 262. And she can be reached at 430-2696. Please contact her if you have any Clothing Issue concerns.

NEWS FROM THE RETENTION OFFICE

By Master Sgt. Norma Long

SCHOLARSHIP FORMS: Please remember to stop by the Retention Office to pick up the National Guard Scholarship form. The deadline for application is May 31st, anyone using the Tuition Waiver must apply for this scholarship or they may be denied the waiver.

REENLISTMENTS: For a six year reenlistment a member has to choose from one of the following incentives: \$15,000 Cash, Kicker or Student Loan Repayment. Member pay date must be under 16 years to qualify. Did you know if you reenlist in a month you deploy to a TAX FREE zone, your whole bonus for the six year enlistment is TAX FREE?

ACTIVE DUTY GI BILL: If you currently have benefits remaining from

your active duty GI Bill and you are mobilized for at least 90 days or more, you are eligible to have your delimiting date changed. All you need to do is send your 214 to the VA. Your delimiting date is still 10 years, but you get a brand new 10 year window each time you separate from active duty. You still only have 36 months of benefits.

CHAPTER 1606: Any member who has been mobilized for just one day needs to send a copy of their mobilization orders and DD Form 214 to



the VA. The VA will automatically adjust the delimiting date for the period of mobilization plus four months. VA address is: VA Regional Office, PO Box 4616, Buffalo, NY 14240-4616.

MOBILIZED MEMBERS: If you currently have CHAPTER 30 Active Duty Bill benefits you have the option of increasing your current GI Bill benefits. You can contribute up to an additional \$600 to increase your GI Bill benefits. (I've had two members take advantage of this program).

As a result of mobilization or MPA tour a number of members are now eligible for MGIB CHAPTER 30 Educational benefits. The guidance is as follows; those members must complete 24 months of consecutive service without break to be eligible for the benefit. You pay in \$1200 and can receive \$36,000 in GI bill benefits for someone who hasn't used any GI Bill. (I've had one member take advantage of this program).

SENTRY PARTNER FLIGHTS: Flights will be starting up in the next month, so if you haven't filled out a form before please see your UCA or stop by the Retention Office to pick up the form. Members can now have their spouse fly by themselves. We welcome unit members and spouse as always. This is an option if a member wasn't comfortable flying with their spouse.

If you have any questions on the above please contact Master Sgt. Norma Long in the Retention Office at extension 430-3507.

Recruiter Rap

By the Recruiting Staff

Recruiting Quote of the Day

"Not everything that is faced can be changed, but nothing can be changed until it is faced." James A. Baldwin

Recruiting Events

The Recruiting Team on May 14th and 15th will be at Hampton Beach. That's right. The New Hampshire Towing Association will be holding a Rally at Hampton State Park. There will be food and festivities. If anyone would like to take part in this event for drill weekend. Please contact Tech. Sgt. Tom Eldridge for details.

Hi Folks Tech. Sgt. Tom Eldridge,

I'm asking for some volunteers to help out the local Boy Scouts. The York County Boy Scout Troops are hosting a Support Our Troops Spring Camporee at Spring Hill in South Berwick Maine May 20th to the 22nd! They are looking for some folks from the ANG to participate on Saturday the 21st. You can camp out with the scouts if you want to! They want to cook dinner for the troops on Saturday night also, so if you would like to stay for the day and have dinner with them you can! The recruiting team will have a display there, but it isn't a recruiting event! Please get back to me if you are interested in representing the NH Air Guard at this event! Thanks
Up in Coming Recruiting Events
Tech. Sgt. Daniel Pollard will be attending a few schools in April and May

Epping High school Apr 19th

Manchester Memorial May 3rd

Manchester West May 10th

Manchester Central May 10th

Volunteers are always welcome.

Staff Sgt. Shannan Brown will be heading up a few events as well!

Pinkerton Academy JROTC Award's night will be May 19th in the Fine Art building at the Stockbridge Theater. Awards will start at 6 p.m. and end at 9 p.m. for more information, please contact Staff Sgt. Shannan Brown x3502.

Support the Troops Rally and Parade will be held Friday, June 24th at the State House in Concord. This Rally will kick off at noontime on Main Street to honor returning service members.

Military Appreciation Parade the 100-year Anniversary celebrating the signing of the Russo-Japan Peace Treaty. Saturday, August 6th in Portsmouth.

NHNG will coordinate downtown parade.

Town Of York Memorial Day Parade May 30th at 8 a.m.

Our Recruiting Team has been hard at work!

Please Welcome the Newest Members of our great Organization!

CES

Senior Airman Saul M. Davidson

SFS

Airman Basic Derek Cosser

BIO

Staff Sgt. Christina Ryan- Miller

MXS

Senior Airman Daryl A. Iannillo

A Special thanks goes out to:

Again this month we have to thank more of our great people for going out of their way to spread the good word about the 157th Air Refueling Wing. These people have added new faces to our Guard Family.

This month we would like to thank Airman Basic Brandon Dutra for referring Airman Basic Derek Cosser

Benefits of Being Part of the Greatest Part-time Job there is!

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GI Bill Kicker

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People Poll Q: How and who should decide what level of

life? *Photos and questions by Senior Airman Brenda Dillon and Senior Airman Lindsey Watson-Kirwin*



1st Lt. Steve Holleque, Maintenance Officer for the Maintenance Squadron
"If you have credible evidence by a panel of doctors, you should take their advice."



Master Sgt. Margaret Munson, LRS
"I would hope the person would have it taken care of before hand. I think it depends on the circumstances of the individual passing."



Airman 1st Class Kevin Court, Maintenance
"They should determine it themselves. If they can't, it should be on as many factors as possible in that persons life; school, work, spouse, kids. It's a really hard call."



Staff Sgt. Cori Jordan, Dental
"Spouse per their wishes in writing, make a will."

of quality of life someone should have in the last moments of their



Airman 1st Class Dave Palmieri, Maintenance
“If the person can’t sustain life on their own then it’s probably time.”



(NHANG Photo)

Staff Sgt. Dawn Finniss, Visual Information
“ I think a living will is necessary, but I think the spouse and parents should agree and if they can’t then the parents should decide. We treat our criminals better than we treat some people in hospitals. We don’t let our criminals starve to death.”



Tech. Sgt. Kevin Masse, AGE shop
“ I think it’s probably a good idea for the person themselves to make that decision ahead of time. But if it’s after the fact, then the immediate family member should make that decision. I think it’s a matter of quality of life. If they don’t have a decent future, then what’s then sense in living?”



Tech. Sgt. Dawna Noel, Maintenance Group CCS
“ The individual who is nearest and dearest to the person. In the case of Terri I think her husband was right. When she got married, that’s when her parents gave up that right. I wouldn’t want to be in that situation.”

A Memorial long overdue

By Diane Beaudoin

In 1994, Maj. Gen. Lloyd Price retired as The Adjutant General and, at his request, had no official ceremony or recognition. Ten years later in late summer, he passed away following a battle with cancer. Again, his wishes were for no calling hours and a very small funeral. Gen. Price served the state of NH as the Commissioner of Revenue prior to assuming the post as Adjutant General. His military career spanned 40 years and he was the overseer for the transformation to Pease Air National Guard Base when the Active Duty left Pease in 1991. His impact on the State and the New Hampshire National Guard was profound.

Many of his civilian and military friends have felt his loss and have had no chance to pay their respects or to reflect on his career and passing. To honor his service, The National Guard is hosting a memorial service on June 1, 2005 at 4:30 p.m. at the Chapel at the NH Veterans Cemetery. It will be a brief service with several speakers who will capture the many facets of this dedicated citizen. Please share this information with anyone who might have served with Gen. Price.

Mentoring Program Briefing Begins

Is Mission Driven Mentoring (MDM) for you? Come find out during the May UTA. Chief Master Sgt. Kevin Gadd from the National Guard Bureau will be here to brief all those who are interested or want to learn more about Mission Driven mentoring on how it will help you and your career and answer any questions you may have. Anyone interested in the mentoring process is encouraged to attend and learn more about this exciting new initiative.

WHEN: Saturday, May 14
 TIME: 10 a.m and 2 p.m. (lasts about one hour)
 WHERE: Bldg. 247, ATC Willbrandt Hall
 CONTACT: William.fragment@us.army.mil or 603-430-2721

NEED VOLUNTEERS

The Special Olympics will be held this year at UNH on Friday June 3rd and Saturday June 4th. We are looking for volunteers for Friday and Saturday from 8:00 to 5:00. If you can even volunteer for half of the day, it would be great. Usually, we break at 12:00 for lunch and wear our blues for the day activities and service dress for opening ceremony.



Friday night will be the opening ceremonies. Anyone who volunteers needs to be at the field at 7:00. The parade of Olympians starts at 7:30 and we should be done by 9:00. If you have another commitment you can leave after the national anthem is played, however it is preferred to have everyone stay until the fireworks are done.

Please let me know as soon as possible if you can volunteer as I have to provide a list of volunteers. If you plan to volunteer, drill has to be made up or leave has to be taken.

Please contact me if you have any questions in the Retention Office at 430-3507. Thank you, Master Sgt. Norma Long.

NH National Guard Scholarships

The New Hampshire National Guard Scholarship fund is offering tuition only scholarships up to \$500. To be eligible an applicant must:

- Be a member in good standing of the NHNG, either Army or Air;
- Apply for assistance to pay tuition only;
- Attend, or plan to attend, a post secondary institution, school, college or university of higher learning, located in New Hampshire, either full time or part time.

There are no restrictions as to course of study, subject matter or degree requirement. The scholarships will be awarded in July and cover the State's fiscal year of July 1 to June 30. To apply, students must send a completed TAGNH Form 14 no later than June 1, 2005 to: The Adjutant General's Department State Scholarship Committee/ESSO State Military Reservation, 4 Pembroke Road, Concord, N.H. 03301-5652.

TAGNH Form 14, National Guard Scholarship Fund Application, is available through the Training Office of the MPF.



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Finance Notes:

By Tech. Sgt. Scott Perry and Staff Sgt. Lena Grenier

You've probably been hearing the phrase "myPay" a lot lately. Why the big push? To save the substantial costs of printing and mailing and also to give members 24-hour access to information, the Air Force is increasingly moving toward self-service transactions for both Technician and military pay. It's vital that you don't get left behind. Need an LES? Check myPay. A W2 for your tax return or update your home address for TSP, check myPay. Need to update you address for TSP, yes again it's on myPay. If you need help, Finance can help you get your PIN and show you how to log in to check your information.

The FM webpage on Peasenet also has access to links for myPay as well as other helpful information such as finance forms, links to pay charts, etc.

active duty. She plans to enlist with the NHANG soon as a traditional member in the Readiness Flight. Saul has a daughter, **Hannah**, 5, who will enter kindergarten in the fall in the Exeter school system. The family makes their home in Stratham.

- Warmest wishes go out to **Jo-Ann and Bruce Dionne (RET MXS)** who celebrated their 38th wedding anniversary on April 1. Bruce is still hard at work at Elliot Hospital in Manchester for the Maintenance Department as a HVAC tech where he has been employed for the past 18 years. Jo-Ann works part-time at Express Fitness in Hooksett in the day care center. Their two sons are married and they have a total of four grandchildren. Jo-Ann and Bruce do metal detecting as a hobby and Bruce does Geocaching as well. Bruce tells us that "between the two hobbies and the four grandsons, I'm staying busy." He served as a traditional guard member in the Airframe Repair Shop and retired in 1990. He had prior service with the Navy and Naval Reserve for 13 years before he joined the 157th. Bruce and Jo-Ann reside in Auburn.

- **Carol and Randall Gadd (RET LRS)** stopped by Personnel recently to update their ID cards. Randall is employed by the Kennebunk Light & Power. Carol, a registered nurse, is employed by Beacon Hospice where she works in the southern Maine area. She has been a nurse for 20 years now with 10 years working in hospice. Daughter **Amanda** and her husband, **Ronnie Stackpole**, have two children **Eva Rose**, 3, and **Emily May**, 17 months. Randall and Carol live in Kennebunk where they enjoy spending time with their grandchildren. Randall retired from the Vehicle Ops Section in 2003 after serving over 22 years in the military.

THAT'S ALL FOR THIS TIME, FOLKS! SEE YOU IN JUNE!



Menu

Saturday
Deli Wrap Sandwich
Select Hand Fruit
Granola Bar
Ind. Snack Chip
Ind. Snack Pudding
Cold Beverage

Sunday
Herb Grilled Chicken on a Multigrain Roll
Or Ham & Cheese Sub
Select Hand Fruit
Ind. Snack Fruit Cup
Ind. Snack Chip
Ind. Snack Cookie
Cold Beverage

Note: There will be no salad bar and cold beverages will be limited to boxes lunches. We apologize to our patrons for any inconvenience.

Please note that menu may be subject to change without notice.





Guard Talk

by Senior Master Sgt. Valerie Morgan
Wing Human Resources Advisor

Guard Talk welcomes your submissions. If you have something interesting or a special event that you'd like to share, please give me a call at tel: (603) 430-3151, fax: 430-2456 or drop a line to 157 ARW/HRA,

302 Newmarket Street, Pease ANGB, NH 03803-0157E-mail address: valerie.morgan@NHPEAS.ANG.AF.MIL

- Congratulations to **Kathryn and John Seguin (MXS)** on the birth of their third child, **Anna Kathryn**, who arrived on March 1 at 5:45 p.m. Kathryn weighed in at 7 lbs 13 oz and measured 20 inches long. She has a big brother, **Ronald**, 9, a third grade student at McMahon Elementary School, and a big sister, **Margaruette**, 7, who is in the 2nd grade. John is currently on a full-time active duty tour in the Flightline Section. Kathryn is a full-time Mom. John tells us, "I have enjoyed seven years with this unit and my wife and I owe it to the awesome people I work with." The family makes their home in Lewiston, Maine.

- Warmest wishes go out to **Denise and Luke Harris (ATC)** on the birth of their first child, **Caden Luke**, who was born on March 11 at 9:58 p.m. Baby Caden weighed in at 7 lbs 3 oz and measured 20 ½ long. Luke came to us from Tyndall AFB, Florida. He has four years of

prior service on active duty. He is employed full time as an Air Traffic Controller in Nashua. Militarily, he is assigned to the 260th Air Traffic Control Squadron. Denise is a bank teller at Bank of New Hampshire in Nashua.

- Congratulations to **Sarah and Karl Smith (MXS/MEO)** on the birth of their third child, **Jack Pearson**, who arrived on March 14 at 7:59 a.m. Baby Jack weighed in at 7 lbs 4 oz and measured 20 ½ inches long. He has an older brother, **Samuel**, 7, who is in the second grade at Mastway Elementary School in Lee, and a sister, **Grace**, who is 3. Karl, a member of the Technical Staff at Lucent Technologies, served on an active duty tour in the Avionics Shop for over two years. He is currently attending AMS and will be commissioned a second lieutenant in the Military Equal Opportunity Office upon his return. Sarah is a licensed social worker in New

Hampshire and Massachusetts but is presently a stay-at-home Mom. The family resides in Durham.

- Kudos to **Nicole Manupelli**, daughter of **Anita Manupelli (MEO)** who graduated from Blaine Beauty Career Schools in Lowell, Mass. on March 24. Nicole received the following awards: Outstanding Foiling Techniques, Basic and Advanced Foiling Techniques, and Outstanding Clinic Manager. She is now working at Beyond Style Hair Design on Boston Road in Billerica, Mass. She currently resides in Pepperell, Mass. with her father and stepmother, **Lenny and Sue Manupelli**, and her little sister, **Elizabeth**, 5. Way to go, Nicole!

- Congratulations to **Jessica Barletto and Saul Davidson (CEX)** who were married on August 21, 2004 at Fort Constitution at the United States Coast Guard Station in Newcastle. Saul recently re-joined the 157th after serving six months of duty as a full-time technician with the 120th Fighter Wing in Montana, and was just selected to fill the second Readiness Flight position in the Civil Engineer Squadron. Jessica was formerly assigned to the 341st Space Wing at Malstrom Air Force Base in Montana where she served on

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